# PD8-6000

**ProtEX-MAX Explosion-Proof Process Meter** 









# **PROCESS**

- **Fully-Approved Explosion-Proof Meter**
- 0-20 mA, 4-20 mA, 0-5 V, 1-5 V, and ±10 V Field Selectable Inputs
- SafeTouch Through-Glass Button Programming
- Dual-Line 6-Digit Display, 0.6" (15 mm) & 0.46" (12 mm)
- Isolated 24 VDC @25 mA Transmitter Power
- 4 Relays with Interlocking Capability + Isolated 4-20 mA Output Option
- Free PC-Based MeterView Pro USB **Programming Software**
- **Super Bright Display**
- Operating Temperature Range: -40 to 60°C (-40 to 140°F)
- FM Approved as Explosion-Proof / Dust-Ignition **Proof / Flame-Proof**

- CSA Certified as Explosion-Proof / Dust-Ignition Proof
- ATEX and IECEx Certified as Flame-Proof
- Input Power Options: 85-265 VAC or 12-24 VDC
- Display Input in Two Different Scales Great for **Level Applications**
- **Multi-Pump Alternation Control**
- Round Horizontal Tank Formula; Just Enter Diameter & Length
- 32-Point, Square Root, or Exponential Linearization
- Programmable Display, Function Keys & Digital Inputs
- Flanges for Wall or Pipe Mounting
- **Onboard RS-485 Serial Communications**
- **Modbus RTU Communication Protocol Standard**





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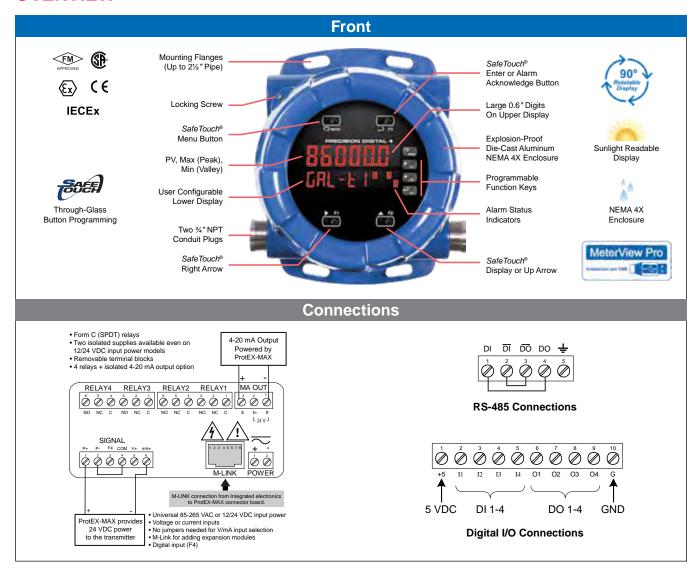
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#### **OVERVIEW**



#### The Only Explosion-Proof Process Meter You Will Ever Need

Front, back and in between, the PD8-6000 ProtEX-MAX Explosion-proof process meter boasts specifications, features and functionality that make it the only hazardous area process meter you will ever need. The PD8-6000 has all the same features as our PD6000 1/8 DIN process meter, but it is not just a meter stuffed in an explosion-proof enclosure like many of our competitors offer. The PD8-6000 is approved as a complete product by FM and CSA and also carriers IECEx approvals. Besides being suitable for hazardous areas, the number one feature that makes the PD8-6000 such a useful device is its built-in 24 VDC power supply to drive the transmitter as illustrated by the above diagram. This feature not only saves the cost of an external power supply, but also greatly simplifies wiring. In addition, there is a second 25 mA power supply provided with the 4-20 mA output option, evident also in the above diagram.

The first thing you notice about the PD8-6000 is its modern looking, rugged, die cast aluminum housing with convenient mounting flanges. Housed inside this enclosure is a dual line, 6-digit display with high-intensity LEDs that can be read in direct sunlight. The upper line can display numbers up to 999,999 and the lower line can be used to indicate a tag or display the input in another scale. This makes the PD8-6000 ideal for level and other applications where displaying a big number is required.

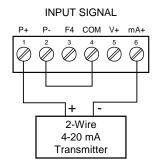
Other key features include four relays and 4-20 mA output option, advanced signal input conditioning like automatic round horizontal tank linearization, function keys, pump alternation capability, and Modbus RTU serial communications. Finally, all these features and capabilities can easily be programmed with free MeterView Pro PC-based software.

# ISOLATED TRANSMITTER POWER **SUPPLIES**

#### 24 V @ 25 mA Transmitter Power Supply

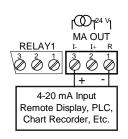
One of the most useful standard features of the PD8-6000 is its built-in isolated, 24 V @ 25 mA power supply to power the transmitter. This feature saves money by eliminating an external power supply and also simplifies wiring by reducing the number of devices in the loop. It can be configured for 5, 10, or 24 V (default) by means of a simple internal jumper. This power supply is even available on meters that are powered from DC power (24 V @ 25 mA). To use an external power supply instead of the internal power supply, simply make connections to different terminals on the ProtEX-MAX.

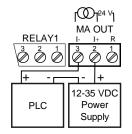
The following diagrams illustrate how to wire the ProtEX-MAX so it will power the transmitter:



### 24 V @ 25 mA 4-20 mA Output Power Supply

Not only can the ProtEX-MAX power the 4-20 mA input signal, but an additional power supply of 24 V @ 25 mA is provided with the 4-20 mA output option to power the 4-20 mA output.





#### **Resettable Fuse Prevents Current Overload**

Another very useful aspect of the ProtEX-MAX is that the current input is protected against current overload by a resettable fuse. The fuse limits the current to a safe level when it detects a fault condition, and automatically resets itself when the fault condition is removed.



#### ADVANCED DISPLAY FEATURES

#### **Dual-Line Makes All the Difference**

The upper display can be programmed to indicate PV, maximum (peak), minimum (valley), alternating maximum/ minimum, one of four alarm set points, or Modbus input. The lower display can be configured to display engineering units, set points, user defined messages, or simply turned off.

The ProtEX-MAX's dual-line display makes all the difference both when programming the instrument and when using it in the field. When programming the instrument, the dual-line display prompts for the needed information and also helps you keep track of where you are in the setup process. When using the instrument, the dual-line display provides more information such as displaying the input in two different scales like height and volume for a level application. We call this the Dual-Scale feature.

#### **Programming Assistance**

The ProtEX-MAX's dual-line display makes programming the instrument much easier because the lower line prompts for the needed information and also helps you keep track of where you are in the setup process.



The ProtEX-MAX is prompting for the value for Input 2 and displaying the default value of 20.00 mA. The "2" in 20.00 is brighter than the rest of the digits indicating that it is the number that will be changed by the Up and Right arrows.



ProtEX-MAX is now prompting for what the user wants Display 2 to be; that is the value that corresponds to 20 mA. In this case Display 2 is currently set to 95.00.

### **Super-Bright Display**

The ProtEX-MAX comes standard with a super-bright display, with LEDs that are visible even in direct sunlight. The display also has up to eight levels of adjustable intensity for optimum visibility in any lighting condition.

# **Rounding Feature for Even Steadier Display**

The rounding feature is used to give the user a steadier display with fluctuating signals. It causes the display to round to the nearest value according to the rounding value selected (1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50, or 100). For example, with a rounding value of 10, and an input of 12346, the display would indicate 12350.

### **Dual-Scale Display Feature**

The ProtEX-MAX PD8-6000 has a rather unique, and very flexible dual-scale capability. This is of particular value in level applications where a second scaled display can represent the measured input in a different form (i.e. gallons & height). Both displays are independently scaled and are based on the 4-20 mA input signal. Beyond level, this function has been used for pressure & force, current & power, feet & meters, GPM & CFM, and more.





Gallons & mA

Gallons & Height





**Gallons & Percent** 

**Gallons & Head PSI** 

MeterView Pro can be used to program the ProtEX-MAX to display the input in two different scales:



# **Toggling Between Reading** & Units with Tag

The ProtEX-MAX can also be programmed so the upper line toggles between the reading and units and the lower line displays a tag. For instance, the upper line toggles between 9500 and Gal and the lower line displays Tank 1.

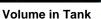




#### **Other Uses for Lower Line**

The lower line can also be used indicate units, a tag, or even a setpoint as the following pictures illustrate:







**Gallons & Setpoint** 



Level in Feet



**Pressure Indication** 

#### QUICK & EASY SCALE & PROGRAMMING METHODS

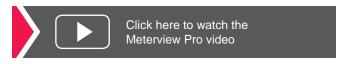
The ProtEX-MAX can be programmed either via the front panel push buttons or free, PC-based MeterView Pro software. MeterView Pro is resident on the ProtEX-MAX and is accessed by a provided USB cable, so it is by far the easiest way to program the ProtEX-MAX. The ProtEX-MAX can be calibrated either by applying a known signal or scaled by entering a desired value with the front panel buttons or MeterView Pro software. Most customers will use the scaling method because it is simpler and does not require a calibrated signal source. Selecting the input to be current or voltage is done with the front panel buttons or MeterView Pro software. Once programming is completed it can be locked with a password.

#### Free PC-Based MeterView Pro USB Programming Software & Cable



The ProtEX-MAX comes preloaded with free MeterView Pro programming software that connects and installs directly to your PC with a standard USB cable, also provided free with each instrument. This eliminates the need to insert CDs. install drivers, or download software from the internet. When you connect your ProtEX-MAX to your PC, MeterView Pro is downloaded to your PC, the software automatically selects the model you are programming, and you're ready to start programming immediately. Further simplifying the programming

process, the ProtEX-MAX can be powered from the USB port, so no need to apply external power while programming your meter. In addition to programming, the software will also allow you to monitor, and datalog a ProtEX-MAX using your PC. You can also generate and save programming files for later use.



# **Setup Screen**

- Select Voltage or Current Input
- · Activate Dual-Scale (Level) Function
- Select Decimal Point
- Set Line 1 Display Parameters
- Set Line 2 Display Parameters
- Set Analog Output Values
- Enable Manual Control
- Test Relays & Digital Outputs



# Programming Screen

- Set Scale Values
- Set the Number of Points (up to 32)
- Import from Excel
- Export to Excel



# **Relays Screen**

- Greatly Simplifies Programming a Variety of Relay Features
- Set Relay Action
- Set Sampling Time
- Set Set & Reset Points
- Set On/Off Time Delays
- · Set Fail Safe Operation
- Set Input Break Relay Action





### Save/Open Configuration

At the bottom of most MeterView screens are two tabs:

- 1. Get Meter Data: This reads the programming of the meter that is currently connected to the PC.
- 2. Send Meter Data: Clicking this button, sends current MeterView programming to the meter.



The configuration file can be sent or retrieved from the directory of your choice. This makes it very easy to program multiple meters with the same programming. It is also a great backup utility as well.



#### **Specifications**

#### **System Requirements:**

Microsoft® Windows® XP/Vista/7/8/10

#### Communications:

Onboard USB (firmware version 4.0 or higher), RS-232 Adapter or RS-485 Adapter

Meter Address: 1 - 247

#### Reports:

Data logging: Save as CSV file format

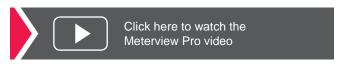
 Configuration: Save as PDC file format or print configuration

Baud Rate: 300 - 19,200 bps Configuration: One meter at a time

Protocol:

Modbus RTU (requires firmware version 4.0 or higher)

\*Note: Windows® 32/64-bit operating systems



#### **Password Protection**

The Password menu is used for programming three levels of security to prevent unauthorized changes to the programmed parameter settings:

- Pass 1: Allows use of function keys and digital inputs
- Pass 2: Allows use of function keys, digital inputs and editing set/reset points
- Pass 3: Restricts all programming, function keys, and digital inputs

#### 4-20 mA OUTPUT & RELAYS

#### 4-20 mA Analog Output

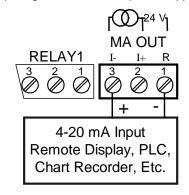
The isolated analog retransmission signal can be configured to represent the process variable (PV), maximum (peak) value, minimum (valley) value, the value for any of the eight relay set points, or Modbus input. While the output is nominally 4-20 mA, the signal will accurately accommodate under- and over-ranges from 1 to 23 mA.

The 4-20 mA output can be reversed scaled such that 4 mA represents the high value and 20 mA represents the low value. For instance, a 4-20 mA output signal could be generated as the meter went from 100.0 to 0.0.

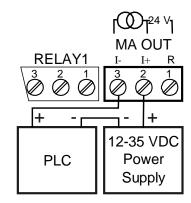
For applications where the input was linearized by the ProtEX-MAX, the 4-20 mA output will represent that linearized value.

#### **Connections**

The ProtEX-MAX can provide 25 mA at 24 VDC to power the 4-20 mA output signal or an external power supply can be used:



4-20 mA Output Powered by PD8-6000



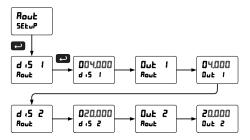
4-20 mA Output Powered by External Power Supply

The internal 24 VDC power supply powering the analog output may be used to power other devices, if the analog output is not used. The I+ terminal is the +24 V and the R terminal is the return.

The 4-20 mA output can either be programmed using the front panel push buttons or free MeterView Pro software.

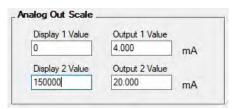
#### **Front Panel Push Button Programming**

The 4-20 mA analog output can be scaled to provide a 4-20 mA signal for any display range selected. No equipment is needed to scale the analog output; simply program the display values to the corresponding mA output signal. The Analog Output menu is used to program the 4-20 mA output based on display values.

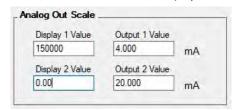


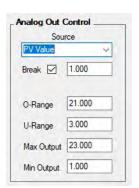
#### **MeterView Pro Software Programming**

When a meter is programmed as shown below, the output will be 4.00 mA when the display reads 0 and the output will be 20.00 mA when the display reads 150000.



The meter can be set up for reverse scaling as shown below: the output will be 4.00 mA when the display reads 150000 and the output will be 20.00 mA when the display reads 0.





Source: Source for generating the 4-20 mA output (e.g. PV)

Overrange: Analog output value with display in overrange condition

Underrange: Analog output value with display in underrange condition

Break: Analog output value when loop break is detected

Max: Maximum analog output value allowed regardless of input

Min: Minimum analog output value allowed regardless of input



### Relays for Hazardous Area Alarm & Control Applications

Adding relays to the ProtEX-MAX meter turns it into a sophisticated explosion-proof alarm device as well as a powerful, yet simple, alternative to a more complicated PLC system for control applications. One such application would be pump control using the ProtEX-MAX's relays in pump alternation mode. The ProtEX-MAX can be equipped with up to four 3 A Form C (SPDT) relays that can all be programmed to alternate, thus creating an explosion-proof pump alternator. Relays are highly userconfigurable as the following screen shot from MeterView Pro indicates:



\*Values are intended to show programming choices. They are not intended to represent an actual application.

#### Setting Set and Reset Points (HI / LO Alarms)

All relays are independent of each other and may be programmed as high or low alarms with user desired set and reset points. Setting a set point above a reset point results in a high alarm and setting a set point below a reset point results in a low alarm. Alarms have 0 - 100% deadband and set and reset points may be set anywhere in the range of the meter.

#### Resetting the Relays (Action in MV Pro)

All relays are independent of each other and may be programmed to reset (*Action* in MV Pro) in the following ways:

- Automatic: Alarm will reset automatically once the alarm condition has cleared.
- Automatic/Manual: Alarm will reset automatically once the alarm condition has cleared but can also be reset using the F3 front panel button\* at any time.
- Latching: Alarm must be reset manually and can be done so at any time. Press the F3 front panel button\* at any time to clear the alarm.
- Latching with Reset after Cleared: Alarm must be reset manually and can only be done so after the alarm condition has cleared. Press the F3 front panel button\* after the alarm condition has cleared to reset the alarm.

#### Time Delay (On and Off)

In many applications it is desirable to wait before turning off or on a relay - such as waiting for a process to settle before taking action. Each relay on the ProtEX-MAX can be programmed with independent on and off time delays of 0 to 999.9 seconds to achieve this.

#### **Relays Auto Initialization**

When power is applied to the meter, the front panel LEDs and alarm relays will reflect the state of the input to the meter.

#### Signal Loss or Loop Break Relay Operation

When the meter detects a break in the 4-20 mA loop, the relay will go to one of the following selected actions:

- 1. Turn On (Go to alarm condition)
- 2. Turn Off (Go to non-alarm condition)
- 3. Ignore (Processed as a low signal condition)

#### **User Selectable Fail-Safe Operation**

All relays are independent of each other and may be programmed for user selectable fail-safe operation. With the fail-safe feature activated, the relays will transfer to the alarm state on power loss to the meter.



<sup>\*</sup> Or by connecting an external switch to F4 terminal or with an optional digital input.

#### **Front Panel LEDs**

The meter is supplied with four alarm points that include front panel LEDs to indicate alarm conditions. This standard feature is particularly useful for alarm applications that require visual-only indication.

#### **Manual Output Control**

Take control of any output with this feature. All relays can be forced ON or OFF. and the 4-20 mA output signal can be set to any value within



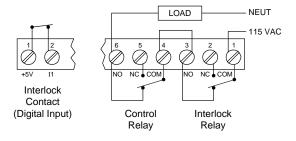
its range. When the relays and 4-20 mA output are controlled manually, an LED labeled "M" is turned on and the associated Alarm LEDs (1-8) flash every 10 seconds indicating that the meter is in manual control mode.

#### Sampling Function (PV Triggered Timed Relay)

The sampling function allows the operator to set a relay as a "sampling" relay. When the PV reaches that set point, it will close that relay's contacts for a preset period of time (0.1 to 5999.9 seconds). An example of its use may be for beer/ ale fermentation. When the batch reaches a certain pH, the relay contacts would close and by some means (light, horn, etc.) alert someone to take a sample, or provide the trigger to automatically take a sample of the batch. The utility of this function can, of course, be expanded beyond sampling and be used whenever a timed relay output closure is required when the PV reaches a certain set point.

#### Interlock Relay(s)

This function allows a process to use one or more very low voltage input signals or simple switch contacts to control the state of one or more internal "interlock" relays. A violation (i.e. loss of input, open switch, or open circuit) forces one or more N/O interlock relay contacts to open. One input can be used in series with a number of interlock switches, or up to eight inputs can be required to force-on one (or more) internal interlock relays. Please see Safety Interlock on the ProVu Series whitepaper on our website for more information.

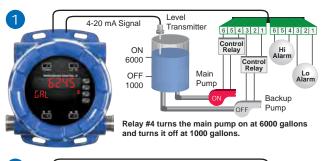


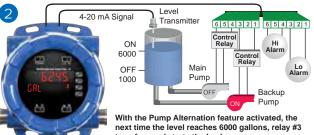
#### **Switching Inductive Loads**

The use of suppressors (snubbers) is strongly recommended when switching inductive loads to prevent disrupting the microprocessor's operation. The suppressors also prolong the life of the relay contacts. Precision Digital offers the PDX6901.

#### **Explosion-Proof Multi-Pump Alternation**

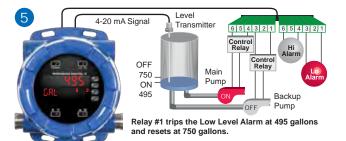
The ProtEX-MAX can be used as an explosion-proof pump controller when combined with a continuous level transmitter. The most common pump control application is shown below: controlling and alternating two pumps and providing high and low-level alarms. In addition, the ProtEX-MAX provides the 24 V to power the transmitter.











#### SIGNAL INPUT CONDITIONING

There are many applications in the industrial world that can't be satisfied with simple, two-point linear scaling so the ProtEX-MAX has advanced linearization capabilities to handle applications like round horizontal tank volume measurement, open channel flow, DP flow, and others. And all of these capabilities are easily programmed using MeterView Pro programming software.

#### **32-Point Linearization**

The most common way to linearize a non-linear signal is to break it up into smaller ranges that are more linear than the overall range. The ProtEX-MAX is available with up to 32 points of linearization and if dual scale feature is used, the second PV can have up to eight points of linearization. The linearization data can be imported from an Excel spreadsheet or can be exported from MeterView Pro to an Excel spreadsheet. The following screen shot from MeterView Pro shows PV1 with 9 points of linearization and PV 2 with 5 points of linearization:

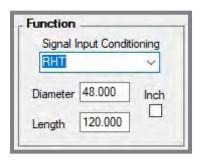


Scale values can also be imported from an Excel spreadsheet.

### **Specialized Linearization Functions**

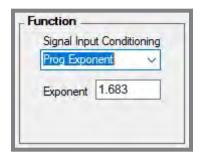
In addition to the generic 32- and 8-point linearization functions, the ProtEX-MAX is also available with specialized functions for round horizontal tanks, open channel flow, and DP flow.

#### **Round Horizontal Tank**



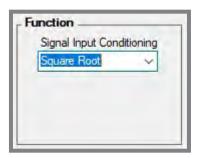
The user enters the diameter and length of a flat-ended round horizontal tank resulting in a display of volume.

#### **Programmable Exponent**



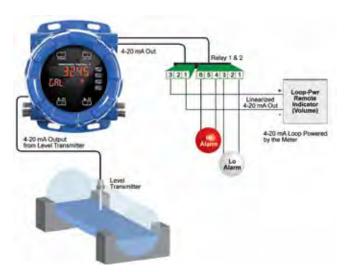
The input is raised to an exponent progrmmable by the user resulting in a display of open channel flow rate.

#### **Square Root Extraction**



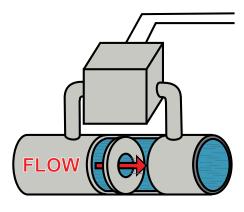
The square root of the input is taken resulting in a display of flow rate.

#### **Round Horizontal Tank Volume Linearizer**



In this application, a level sensor is measuring the height in the round horizontal tank and the ProtEX-MAX is converting that signal to volume using the RHT function. All the user has to do is input the diameter and length of the tank and the meter converts the signal to volume.

#### **DP Flow via Square Root Extraction**



In this application, the PD8-6000 is displaying flow rate by extracting the square root from the 4-20 mA signal from a differential pressure transmitter. The user selectable low-flow cutoff feature gives a reading of zero when the flow rate drops below a user selectable value.

#### Linear 4-20 mA Analog Output

For applications where the input was linearized by the ProtEX-MAX, the 4-20 mA output will represent that linearized value.

#### **Open Channel Flow Rate Indication**



In this application, a level sensor is measuring the height in a weir and the ProtEX-MAX is converting that signal to flow rate using the programmable exponent function. All the user has to do is input the corresponding exponent for their weir and the meter will convert the signal to flow.

The following information is required for programming the PD8-6000 for open channel flow rate:

- 1. The exponent value associated with the flow calculation for the specific weir or flume being used.
- 2. The zero head, or water depth, mA value from the level transmitter.
- 3. The mA value from the transmitter for the maximum head. and the flow rate at that level. The level transmitter is normally programmed to provide 20 mA at the maximum head value and flow rate.

#### Example:

A 120° V-notch weir flow formula for millions of gallons per day is shown below.

MGD=2.798 H<sup>2.5</sup>

The exponent component is 2.5.

The level transmitter has been programmed so that at zero head, when the water level is at the base of the V-notch, the output is 4 mA.

The level transmitter has been programmed so that at the top of the V-notch, at 2.00 ft, the output is 20 mA.1

The coefficient of the flow equation (2.798 in the above example), is not needed for programming the meter; the scaling function of the meter incorporates the coefficient and the head height automatically.

1. Isco Open Channel Flow Measurement Handbook, Sixth Edition, ed. Diane K. Walkowiak, M.A. (Teledyne Isco, Inc., 2006), 168-169.



#### DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS

#### Modbus® RTU Serial Communications

With onboard RS-485 serial communication, the PD8-6000 can communicate with any Modbus master device using the popular Modbus communications protocol that is included in every ProtEX-MAX. In addition to the typical Modbus capabilities of reading PVs and writing set points, below are some examples of other things that can be done with the meter's Modbus communications:

- Send a 6-character message to the lower display upon an
- · Convert a digital value to a 4-20 mA signal
- Remote user control (i.e. change set points, acknowledge
- · Input a Modbus digital PV (in place of analog input)
- · Remote override of any or all relays and analog outputs





**Modbus PV Input** 

Remote Message



Click here for more information on the PROVU's Modbus capabilities

#### Serial Adapters & Converters\*



RS-232 to RS-422/485 Isolated Converter



PDA8485-I USB to RS-422/485 **Isolated Converter** 



<sup>\*</sup>All adapters and connectors supplied with appropriate cables.

### Integrated Digital I/O and Serial **Communications**



#### **Digital I/O Connections**

Four digital inputs and four digital outputs come standard with the ProtEX-MAX. External digital inputs can function similarly to the front panel function keys or digital input F4. They can be configured to trigger certain events (i.e. acknowledge/reset alarms, reset max and/or min values, disable/enable all output relays, and hold current relay states), or provide a direct menu access point. The inputs can be connected to a multi-button control station to provide the user with remote control of the four front panel push buttons.

Digital outputs can be used to remotely monitor the ProtEX-MAX's alarm relay output states, or the states of a variety of actions and functions executed by the meter.

Note: The onboard digital inputs (1-4) are configured at the factory to function identically to the front panel pushbuttons (Menu, F1, F2, & F3) in order to work with the SafeTouch buttons. Changing the programming of the digital inputs will affect the function of the SafeTouch buttons.



#### **Serial Communications Connections**

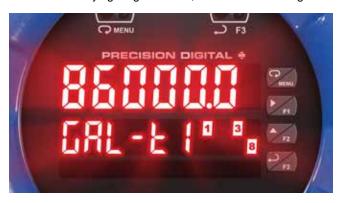
ProtEX-MAX meters come with an RS-485 connection for serial communications with other digital devices. The industry standard Modbus® RTU protocol is included with every meter.

#### PHYSICAL FEATURES

The ProtEX-MAX is designed for ease-of-use in safe and hazardous applications. The ProtEX-MAX is housed in a rugged NEMA 4X explosion-proof enclosure, can operate over a wide temperature range, includes removable screw terminal connectors, has worldwide approvals for use in hazardous areas, and features through-glass buttons for easy meter operation without the need to remove the cover. All of these features are backed by a 3-year warranty.

### Super-Bright LED Display

The ProtEX-MAX features a dual-line 6-digit display with super-bright LEDs, our brightest ever. These allow the display to be read in any lighting condition, even in direct sunlight.



# SafeTouch Through-Glass Buttons

The ProtEX-MAX is equipped with four sensors that operate as through-glass buttons so that it can be programmed and operated without removing the cover (and exposing the electronics) in a hazardous area. These buttons can be disabled for security by selecting the OFF setting on the THRU-GLASS BUTTONS switch located on the back of the electronics module, inside the enclosure.

# Rugged Explosion-Proof Enclosure

The ProtEX-MAX is housed in a rugged NEMA 4X, 7, & 9, IP68 die-cast aluminum enclosure, designed to withstand harsh environments in safe and hazardous areas.



#### Wide Viewing Angle

Customers can't always look at the display from straight on, so the window and display module have been optimized to provide a wide viewing angle of approximately +/- 40°; nearly twice that of the competition.



### **Built-In Mounting Flanges**

The ProtEX-MAX is equipped with four slotted flanges for wall mounting or NPS 11/2" to 21/2" or DN 40 to 65 mm pipe mounting.



### Flexible Mounting & Wiring

The ProtEX-MAX features four 3/4" NPT threaded conduit openings are available so that wiring can be routed to the most convenient conduit connection(s). Two 3/4" NPT metal conduit plugs with 12 mm hex key fitting come installed.



### **Rotatable Display**

The ProtEX-MAX rotatable display, along with four available conduit connections, provide for numerous installation options. The display can be rotated in 90° increments. Rotate it 90° for horizontal mounting.





**Vertical Mounting** 

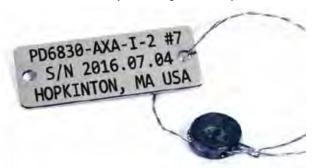
**Horizontal Mounting** 

### **Perfect & Secure Fit Every Time**

The internal cast rails ensure the ProtEX-MAX assembles together perfectly, quickly and securely; and everything lines up for optimal viewing every time. There are no standoffs to worry about breaking or getting out of alignment. Two springloaded, self-retaining, thumbscrews make the assembly a snap, while pressing the display as close to the glass as possible to improve wide angle viewing.

# **PDA-SSTAG Stainless Steel Tags**

PDA-SSTAG is a laser etched stainless steel tag accessory for any of your Precision Digital meters. The tag features custom text for equipment identification, instruction, or whatever else is needed in your facility. Each tag comes with a stainless steel wire and lead seal for easy mounting wherever you need it.



#### Removable Screw Terminal Connectors

Industrial applications require screw terminal connections for easy field wiring and the ProtEX-MAX goes one step further in convenience by making them removable also.



### **USB Port for Easy Connection to MeterView Pro Free Software**



### **Hazardous Area Approvals**

The ProtEX-MAX's approvals allow it to be used in hazardous areas around the world. These include: FM Approved as Explosion-Proof / Dust-Ignition Proof / Flame-Proof, CSA Certified as Explosion-Proof / Dust-Ignition Proof, and ATEX and IECEx Certified as Flame-Proof.

# **Wide Operating Temperature Range**

The ProtEX-MAX can operate from -40 to 60°C (-40 to 140°F) meaning it can be installed in a wide variety of indoor and outdoor industrial applications. And over this range, the ProtEX-MAX will drift no more than 0.005% of calibrated span/°C max from 0 to 65°C ambient and 0.01% of calibrated span/°C max from -40 to 0°C ambient.

#### VIDEOS TO WATCH



# **ProtEX-MAX Explosion-Proof Meters and Indicators**

Learn About the ProtEX-MAX Series.

The ProtEX-MAX meter is very similar to the PROVu in features and functionality so the following videos might be of interest:



# **PROVU Series Overview**

Learn About All the Meters in the PROVU Series!



### **PROVU Multi-Pump Alternation**

Learn How to Use the PROVu as a Pump Controller.



# **PROVU Function** Keys

Learn How the PROVU's Function Keys Increase the Utility of the PROVU.



### Connect a ProVu to a PC Using **MeterView Pro**

Learn How Easy it is to Use MeterView Pro Software.



### Connect a 2-Wire 4-20 mA Transmitter to a **PROVU**

Learn How to Connect Your Transmitter to a ProVu.

#### OPERATIONAL FEATURES

### **Function Keys, F4 Terminal, Digital Inputs**

There are three ways the user can interact with the ProtEX-MAX to perform a variety of useful functions:

#### 1. Three Front Panel Function Keys

The default settings for the function keys are:







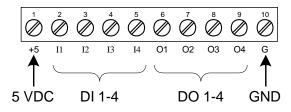
Reset Max/Min Reading

Display Max/Min Reading

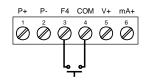
Acknowledge Relays

#### 2. Built-in Digital Inputs/Outputs

The ProtEX-MAX comes with five digital inputs and four digital outputs. The digital inputs can operate with the tare, reset tare, or interlock relays feature, force relays on from a signal from a PLC or relay on other equipment, and much more. The digital inputs can also be used to mimic the programming buttons. which are located behind a door and generally not accessible during operation. The digital outputs can be used to send signals to PLCs and other devices.



4 Digital Inputs & 4 Digital Outputs



F4 Terminal for **Digital Input** 

### **Function Key, Digital Inputs, & Digital Outputs Descriptions**

The following table describes the actions that ProtEX-MAX function keys and digital inputs can be programmed to perform. The table also describes how the digital outputs can be used to remotely monitor the ProtEX-MAX's alarm relay states, or the states of a variety of actions and functions executed by the meter.

Display	Description	Item
rSE Hi	Reset the stored maximum display value	FK, DI, DO
rSt Lo	Reset the stored minimum display value	FK, DI, DO
rSE HL	Reset the stored maximum & minimum display values	FK, DI, DO
ERrE	Capture tare and zero the display	FK, DI, DO
rSt tr	Reset captured tare and resume normal operation	FK, DI, DO
rELAA	Directly access the relay menu	FK, DI
SEŁ I*	Directly access the set point menu for relay 1 (*through 8)	FK, DI
rta q	Disable all relays until a button assigned to enable relays (rLY E) is pressed	FK, DI
rly E	Enable all relays to function as they have been programmed	FK, DI
0 HoLd	Hold current relay states and analog output as they are until a button assigned to enable relays (rLY E) is pressed	FK, DI
d HoLd	Hold the current display value, relay states, and analog output momentarily while the function key or digital input is active. The process value will continue to be calculated in the background.	FK, DI
LnIHi	Display maximum display value on line 1	FK, DI
Ln / Lo	Display minimum display value on line 1	FK, DI

Display	Description	Item
Ln 1 HL	Display maximum & minimum display values on line 1	FK, DI
Ln2 Hi	Display maximum display value on line 2	FK, DI
Ln2 La	Display minimum display value on line 2	FK, DI
Ln2 HL	Display maximum & minimum display values on line 2	FK, DI
F On 1*	Force relay 1 (*through 4) into the on state. This is used in conjunction with a digital input expansion module to achieve interlock functionality.	FK, DI
Contrl	Directly access the control menu	FK, DI
d iSRbL	Disable the selected function key or digital I/O	FK, DI
RcH	Acknowledge all active relays that are in a manual operation mode such as auto-manual or latching	FK, DI, DO
rESEE	Directly access the reset menu	FK, DI
паЕпи	Mimic the menu button functionality (digital inputs only)	DI
r iGHE	Mimic the right arrow/F1 button functionality (digital inputs only)	DI
ωP	Mimic the up arrow/F2 button functionality (digital inputs only)	DI
Enter	Mimic the enter/F3 button functionality (digital inputs only)	DI
ALna I*	Provide indication when alarm 1 (*through 8) has been triggered (digital outputs only)	DO

FK: Function Keys

DI: Digital Inputs

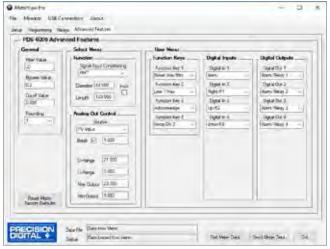
DO: Digital Outputs



Watch video about the programmable function keys, digital inputs, and all the capabilities these features offer on the PROVU Series, which work similarly on the ProtEX-MAX.

#### **Remote Operation of Front Panel Buttons**

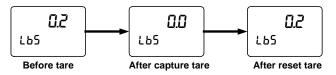
The user can operate the front panel buttons from a remote location by using digital inputs programmed in the following manner:





#### **Tare**

The tare function zero's out the display. In the case of scale weight, tare is used to eliminate container weight and provide net weight readings. There are two tare functions; Capture Tare and Reset Tare. When the capture tare function is used, the display reading is offset by the displayed amount to make the displayed value zero. This modified display value is the net value. The originally displayed value without the tare offset is the gross value. Both may be chosen as a display option. Reset tare removes the display offset.



Reset tare removes the display offset of the net value, and the gross and net values become the same until a new capture tare is entered.

### Max / Min Display

Max/Min (or Peak/Valley) is standard on the ProtEX-MAX PD8-6000. Either display can be configured to show either maximum or minimum excursion since last reset. The displays can also be configured to toggle between Max and Min values. Both values can be simply reset from the front panel.

### MeterView Pro Monitoring & Datalogging **Software**

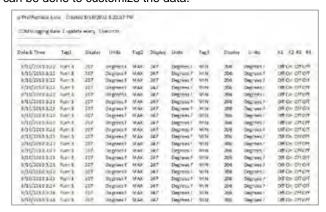
Not only does free MeterView Pro software greatly simplify setup and programming of the ProtEX-MAX, it can also be used to monitor and datalog your process.



- · Custom Tags: i.e. Tank Level Volume
- Custom Units: i.e. Gallons, Feet, Percent
- · Alarm Status Indicators

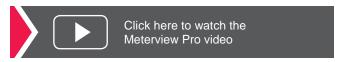
#### **Datalog Report**

Collected data logger information can be sent to a CSV file for importing into a spreadsheet program. Below is an example of one such file. Of course, once within the spreadsheet, much can be done to customize the data.



#### **Relay Control**

Relays can be controlled from MeterView Pro for testing purposes. This is commonly done to determine whether the relays are functioning properly. In the Setup window, under Relay and Digital Out Test you have the option of selecting the relays you want in an ON state or OFF state and also whether you want to leave the relays in manual control or to return them to automatic operation.



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Large Dual-Line 6-Digit Display



Transmitter **Power Supply** 



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4-20 mA, 0-10 V, Thermocouple, RTD, Strain Gauge, High Voltage, & Modbus Inputs



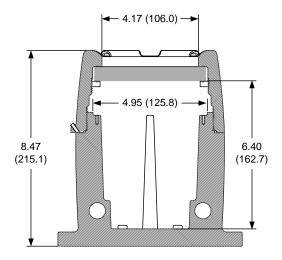
**Up To Four** 3 A Form C Relays (SPDT)

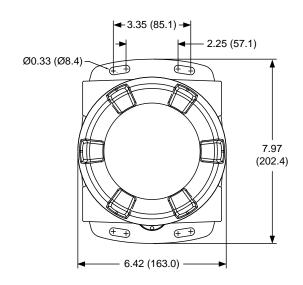


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**DIMENSIONS** Units: Inches (mm)



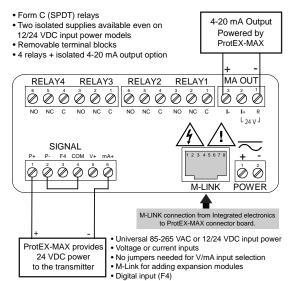


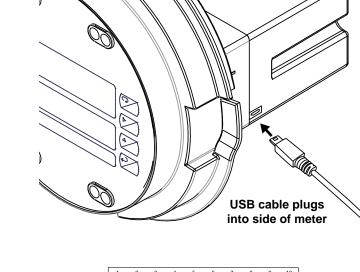


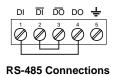
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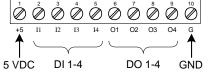
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#### **CONNECTIONS**









**Digital I/O Connections** 

#### SPECIFICATIONS

Except where noted all specifications apply to operation at +25°C.

Display: Upper display: 0.60" (15 mm) high. Lower display: 0.46" (12 mm) high. Both are 6 digits (-99999 to 999999), red LEDs.

Display Intensity: Eight intensity levels Display Update Rate: 5/second (200 ms) Overrange: Display flashes 999999 Underrange: Display flashes -99999

Display Assignment: The upper and lower displays may be assigned to PV1, PV2, PCT (percent), max/min, alternate max & min, set points, units (lower display only), or Modbus input.

Programming Methods: Four SafeTouch through-glass buttons when cover is installed. Four internal pushbuttons when cover is

F4 Digital Input Contacts: 3.3 VDC on contact. Connect normally open contacts across F4 to COM.

F4 Digital Input Logic Levels: Logic High: 3 to 5 VDC;

Logic Low: 0 to 1.25 VDC

Noise Filter: Programmable from 2 to 199 (0 will disable filter) Filter Bypass: Programmable from 0.1 to 99.9% of calibrated span

Recalibration: Calibrated at the factory. Recalibration is

recommended at least every 12 months.

Max/Min Display: Max / min readings reached by the process are stored until reset by the user or until power to the meter is turned off.

Tare: Tare function zeros out the meter to accommodate for weight of a container. Tare function can be assigned to a function key, F4 terminal, or a digital input.

Password: Three programmable passwords restrict modification of programmed settings.

Non-Volatile Memory: All programmed settings are stored in nonvolatile memory for a minimum of ten years if power is lost. Power Options: 85-265 VAC 50/60 Hz, 90-265 VDC, 20 W max,

or optional model with 12-24 VDC ±10%, 15 W max. Powered over USB for configuration only.

Fuse: Required external fuse: UL Recognized, 5 A max, slow blow; up to 6 meters may share one 5 A fuse.

Normal Mode Rejection: Greater than 60 dB at 50/60 Hz Isolation: 4 kV input/output-to-power line. 500 V input-to-output or output-to-P+ supply.

Overvoltage Category: Installation Overvoltage Category II: Local level with smaller transient overvoltages than Installation Overvoltage Category III.

#### **Environmental:**

T6 Class operating temperature range Ta = -40 to 60°C T5 Class operating temperature range Ta = -40 to 65°C

Max Power Dissipation: Maximum power dissipation limited to 15.1 W. Connections: Removable screw terminal blocks accept 12 to 22 AWG wire, RJ45 for external relays, digital I/O, and serial communication adapters.

Enclosure: Explosion-proof die cast aluminum with glass window, corrosion resistant epoxy coating, color: blue. NEMA 4X, 7, & 9, IP68. Default conduit connections: Four 3/4" NPT threaded conduit openings and two 3/4" NPT metal conduit plugs with 12 mm hex key fitting installed. Additional conduit opening configurations may be available; verify quantity and sizes on specific device labeling during installation.

Mounting: Four slotted flanges for wall mounting or NPS 11/2" to 2½" or DN 40 to 65 mm pipe mounting.

Tightening Torque: Screw terminal connectors: 5 lb-in (0.56 Nm)

**Overall Dimensions:** 6.42" x 7.97" x 8.47" (W x H x D)

(163 mm x 202 mm x 215 mm) Weight: 16.0 lbs (7.26 kg) Warranty: 3 years parts & labor

#### **Process Input**

Inputs: Field selectable: 0-20, 4-20 mA, ±10 VDC (0-5, 1-5, 0-10 V), Modbus PV (Slave)

Isolated Transmitter Power Supply: Terminals P+ & P-: 24 VDC ± 10%. Isolated from the input at >500 V. Jumper selectable for 24, 10, or 5 VDC supply (internal jumper J4). All models transmitter supply rated @ 25mA max.

Accuracy: ±0.03% of calibrated span ±1 count, square root & programmable exponent accuracy range: 10-100% of calibrated span Temperature Drift: 0.005% of calibrated span/°C max from 0 to 65°C ambient, 0.01% of calibrated span/°C max from -40 to 0°C

Signal Input Conditioning: Linear, square root, programmable exponent, or round horizontal tank volume calculation.

Multi-Point Linearization: 2 to 32 points for PV or PV1. 2 to 8 points for PV2 (Dual-Scale Level feature)

Programmable Exponent: 1.0001 to 2.9999

Round Horizontal Tank: Diameter & Length: 999.999 inch or cm calculates volume in gallons or liters respectively.

Low-Flow Cutoff: 0-999999 (0 disables cutoff function) Decimal Point: Up to five decimal places or none: d.ddddd, dd.dddd, ddd.ddd, dddd.dd, ddddd.d, or dddddd.

Calibration Range: 4-20 mA: minimum span input 1 & input 2: 0.15 mA. ±10 V: minimum span input 1 & 2: 0.10 V. An Error message will appear if input 1 and input 2 signals are too close together.

**Input Impedance:** Voltage ranges: greater than 1 M $\Omega$ . Current ranges:  $50 - 100 \Omega$  (depending on resettable fuse impedance). Input Overload: Current input protected by resettable fuse, 30 VDC

max. Fuse resets automatically after fault is removed. HART Transparency: Analog input will not interfere with existing HART communications on the wired 4-20 mA signal.

### Relays

Rating: 4 SPDT (Form C) internal and/or 4 SPST (Form A) external; rated 3 A @ 30 VDC and 125/250 VAC resistive load; 1/14 HP (≈ 50 watts) @ 125/250 VAC for inductive loads such as contactors, solenoids, etc.

Noise Suppression: Noise suppression is recommended for each relay contact switching inductive loads.

Deadband: 0-100% of span, user programmable

High or Low Alarm: User may program any alarm for high or low trip point. Unused alarm LEDs and relays may be disabled (turned

Relay Operation: automatic (non-latching), latching (requires manual acknowledge), sampling (based on time), pump alternation control (2 to 8 relays), Off (disable unused relays and enable interlock feature, manual on/off control mode).

Relay Reset: User selectable via front panel buttons or digital inputs.

- 1. Automatic reset only (non-latching), when input passes the reset
- 2. Automatic + manual reset at any time (non-latching).
- 3. Manual reset only, at any time (latching).
- 4. Manual reset only after alarm condition has cleared (latching). Note: Front panel button or digital input may be assigned to acknowledge relays programmed for manual reset.

Time Delay: 0 to 999.9 seconds, on & off relay time delays. Programmable and independent for each relay.

Fail-Safe Operation: Programmable and independent for each relay. Note: Relay coil is energized in non-alarm condition. In case of power failure, relay will

Auto Initialization: When power is applied to the meter, relays will reflect the state of the input to the meter.



#### Serial Communications

Compatibility: EIA-485

Connectors: Removable screw terminal connector

Max Distance: 3,937' (1,200 m) max

Status Indication: Separate LEDs for Power (P), Transmit (TX),

and Receive (RX) Protocol: Modbus® RTU Slave ID: 1 - 247

Baud Rate: 300 - 19,200 bps

Transmit Time Delay: Programmable between 0 and 199 ms

Data: 8 bit (1 start bit, 1 or 2 stop bits) Parity: Even, odd, or none with 1 or 2 stop bits Byte-to-Byte Timeout: 0.01 - 2.54 seconds Turn Around Delay: Less than 2 ms (fixed)

Note: Refer to the PROVU® Register Tables located at www.predig.com for details.

#### **USB Connection**

Compatibility: USB 2.0 Standard, Compliant Connector Type: Micro-B receptacle Cable: USB A Male to Micro-B Cable Driver: Microsoft® Windows® XP/Vista/7/8/10

Power: USB Port

#### **Digital Inputs & Outputs**

Channels: 4 digital inputs & 4 digital outputs Source Current: 10 mA maximum output current Sink Current: 1.5 mA minimum input current

+5 V Terminal: To be used as pull-up for digital inputs only. Connect normally open pushbuttons across +5 V & DI 1-4. WARNING: DO NOT use +5 V terminal (pin 1) to power external

Function Assignment: The on-board digital inputs (1-4) are designed to mimic the behavior of the front panel buttons (Menu, F1, F2, & F3). If you wish to change their behavior, re-assign F1-F3 to the desired function, then change the corresponding digital input to match.

#### **Isolated 4-20 mA Transmitter Output**

Output Source: Process variable (PV), max, min, set points 1-8,

manual control setting, or Modbus input

Scaling Range: 1.000 to 23.000 mA for any display range Calibration: Factory calibrated: 4.000 to 20.000 = 4-20 mA output Analog Output Programming: 23.000 mA maximum for all parameters: Overrange, underrange, max, min, and break

Accuracy: ± 0.1% of span ± 0.004 mA

Temperature Drift: 0.4 µA/°C max from 0 to 65°C ambient,

 $0.8 \mu A/^{\circ}C$  max from -40 to  $0^{\circ}C$  ambient Note: Analog output drift is separate from input drift.

Isolated Transmitter Power Supply: Terminals I+ & R: 24 VDC ± 10%. Isolated from the input at >500 V. May be used to power the 4-20 mA output or other devices. All models @ 25 mA max.

External Loop Power Supply: 35 VDC maximum

**Output Loop Resistance:** 

Power supply Maximum Minimum 24 VDC 10 Ω 700 Ω 35 VDC (external) 100 Ω 1200 Ω

#### **Product Ratings and Approvals**

FM: Type 4X; IP66. Class I, Division 1, Groups B, C, D. Class II, Division 1, Groups E, F, G. Class III, Division 1, T5/T6. Class I, Zone 1, AEx d, IIC Gb T5/T6. Zone 21, AEx tb IIIC T90°C; Ta  $-40^{\circ}$ C to  $+65^{\circ}$ C. T6 Ta =  $-40^{\circ}$ C to  $+60^{\circ}$ C; T5 Ta =  $-40^{\circ}$ C to  $+65^{\circ}$ C.

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CSA: Class I, Division 1, Groups B, C, D. Class II, Division 1, Groups E, F, G. Class III, Division 1. Class I Zone 1 Ex d IIC. Zone 21 Ex tb IIIC T90°C. -40°C < Tamb. < +60° C; Temperature Code T6. -40°C < Tamb. < +65° C; Temperature Code T5. Enclosure Type 4X & IP66. Certificate Number: 2531731 ATEX: II 2 G D. Ex d IIC T\* Gb. Ex tb IIIC T90°C Db IP68. Ta =  $-40^{\circ}$ C to  $+^{*\circ}$ C (\*T6 =  $-40^{\circ}$ C to  $+60^{\circ}$ C. \*T5 =  $-40^{\circ}$ C to  $+65^{\circ}$ C)

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#### ORDERING INFORMATION

ProtEX-MAX PD8-6000 • Standard Models			
85-265 VAC Model	12-24 VDC Model	Options Installed	
PD8-6000-6H0	PD8-6000-7H0	None	
PD8-6000-6H7	PD8-6000-7H7	4 Relays & 4-20 mA Output	
Note: 24 V Transmitter power supply standard on all models.			

Accessories		
Model	Description	
PDA-SSTAG	Stainless Steel Tag	
PDAPLUG75	3/4" NPT 316 Stainless Steel Stopping Plug with Approvals	
PDA7485-I	RS-232 to RS-422/485 Isolated Converter	
PDA8485-I	USB to RS-422/485 Isolated Converter	
PDA6846	Pipe Mounting Kit Zinc Plated (Requires 2)	
PDA6846-SS	Pipe Mounting Kit Stainless Steel (Requires 2)	

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